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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: COPENHAGEN SUMMIT

1. POL DIRECTOR DUCCI TOLD DCM DEC 18 THAT THE COPENHAGEN SUMMIT MANAGED TO END WITH THE EC NINE IN A BETTER POSITION THAN MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED CONSIDERING THE PROBLEMS OF THE SUMMIT MEETING. HE SAID THAT THE ADVENT OF THE "WISE MEN FROM THE EAST" MADE IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO CARRY OUT POMPIDOU'S INITIAL INTENTION TO HAVE A SEMINAR ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF EUROPE AND US/EUROPEAN RELATIONS IN AN UNHURRIED ATMOSPHERE. THE CLIMATE (PHYSICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL) IN COPENHAGEN WAS BLEAK AND CAUSED DUCCI TO RE-MINISCE THAT THE MEETING OCCURRED 23 YEARS TO THE DAY AFTER THE
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NATO MEETING WHICH CONFIRMED GENERAL EISENHOWER AS SACEUR. HE COMMENTED THAT EUROPE AND THE ALLIANCE COULD STAND A RETURN TO THE POSITIVE ATTITUDES OF THOSE DAYS.

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2. THE ARABS WISHED TO HAVE THE EUROPEANS MAKE A DECLARATION WHICH WOULD INCLUDE THE FRENCH VERSION OF RES 242 CONCERNING ISRAEL'S RETURN TO PREVIOUS FRONTIERS AND THEY PRESSED FOR THE LANGUAGE USED BY THE SOVIETS IN A COMMUNIQUE INVOLVING THE YUGOSLAVS WHICH TALKED ABOUT THE "NATIONAL REIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIANS." THIS IN THE ITALIANS' VIEW WOULD HAVE THE EUROPEANS ON THE SIDE OF THE EARLY UN RESOLUTIONS GRANTING THE PALESTINIANS RIGHT TO RETURN AND LIVE IN WHAT IS NOW ISRAEL. THE COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE RESPRESENTING AN ITALIAN-FOSTERED COMPROMISE WAS CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN THE ARABS WANTED. THE FRENCH AND BRITISH WERE ON ONE EXTREME WHILE THE GERMANS, DUTCH AND DANES WERE ON THE OTHER. APPARENTLY HEATH PLAYED A MINOR ROLE IN THE WHOLE CONFERENCE AND THE ITALIANS ASSUMED THAT HE WAS PREOCCUPIED BY HIS OWN DOMESTIC PROBLEMS.

3. THE ITALIANS WANTED THE NINE TO ENDORSE THE SECRETARY'S PROPOSAL FOR AN ENERGY ACTION GROUP BUT THE MATTER EALLY NEVER RECEIVED IN DEPTH CONSIDERATION. PARTLY IT SEEMS BECAUSE SOME GOVTS ARGUED THAT THEY SHOULD NOT TAKE OFFICIAL COGNIZANCE OF A PROPOSAL WHICH HAD BEEN MADE IN A PUBLIC SPEECH BUT NOT CONVEYED OFFICIALLY. VOLPE

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